

Jasper County Board of Commissioners

May 19, 2023

Joint Work Session Minutes

9:25 A.M.

Chairman Jernigan called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Don Jernigan-Chairman, Sheila Jones-Vice Chairman; Bruce Henry; Gerald Stunkel (by phone); and Steven Ledford.

Staff Present: Mike Benton, County Manager, Sharon Robinson, Administrative Services Director, Judy Johnson, P&Z Director.

Work Session:

1. FY 2024 Budget:

Development Authority of Jasper County- Mr. David Dyer stood before the board to present his budget request. The Authority is requesting help to hire a summer intern for 12 weeks.

Azalea Regional Library System- Ms. Brown stood before the board to present the happenings with the Library. She stated that their operations increase so they are asking for just under \$10k.


Animal Control- Ms. Kristy Tribble presented her budget requests. She stated that they are not asking for anything extra in their budget. Her biggest need is for capital. She requested a truck. This will be in addition to the current truck. She stated that their calls are increasing. She is requesting an incinerator. The current one is not working. They are currently taking animals to Butts County to use their incinerator. Ms. Tribble requested some work to be done on their building including a 10x18 addition.

Senior Center- Ms. Jacobs presented her request to the board. Her increases were in the areas of advertisements.

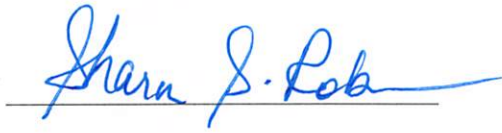
EMA & Joint 911 Authority Follow-up - Mr. Brian Burgamy presented his budget proposal. There is a 2% increase each year for the CODE RED system, dues and fees increased by \$50, Education and Safety increased because of state requirements. He also presented request for the 911 Authority Board. He encouraged the board to consider raises for the Communication employees.

Fire Rescue- Mr. Chris Finch stood before the board to present his budget requests. Contract services increased by \$1500 for the power stretchers. Operating supplies increase because we are using more with the increased call volume. Mr. Finch requested an additional staffed ambulance. Our staffing has stayed the same for 49 years. Station 7 would have to be built out for staff. He is requesting a new tanker as well.

Commissioner Henry asked that Chief Finch put together the total cost for a new ambulance including monitors, lift, etc.



Don Jernigan, Chairman



Sharon S. Robinson, Clerk